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The Honorable Christopher S. Bond  
United States Senate  
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Bond:

President Clinton yesterday announced his intention to nominate Lieutenant General John Gordon, USAF, to serve as Deputy Director of Central Intelligence. If confirmed by the Senate, General Gordon will bring an invaluable breadth of experience to this position. In addition to his strong background in defense and arms control issues, he has a clear understanding of the policymaking world, having served at both the State Department and the National Security Council. Moreover, he has served with distinction for the past year as a senior intelligence official and military advisor to the Director of Central Intelligence.

These qualifications aside, however, I wanted to bring the President's announcement to your attention for another reason: there is one accomplishment for which General Gordon can take little credit; he is a native of Missouri, born in Jefferson City. His parents retired from the military and settled in West Plains where he attended high school, and went on to graduate from the University of Missouri at Columbia. General Gordon has continued to call Missouri home throughout his Air Force service and today claims residency in Boonville, where his wife Marilyn was raised.

General Gordon will shortly begin a round of courtesy calls on members of the Senate Armed Services and Intelligence Committees in conjunction with his nomination, and would be pleased to meet with you at your convenience. I have enclosed a copy of his biography for your information; if you would like to meet with him, please ask your staff to contact [redacted]

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Sincerely,

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John H. Moseman  
Director of Congressional Affairs

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